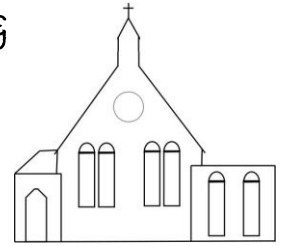
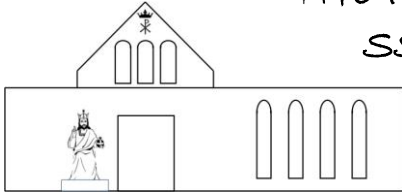


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Fourth Sunday of Lent

Weekly Bulletin 18th March – 26th March 2023

CONFESSIONS ARE AVAILABLE BEFORE AND AFTER HOLY MASS ON REQUEST

Alfreton

Saturday 18th March: 6.30pm Mass:
Mrs Catherine Hill RIP
Sunday 19th March: 10.30am Mass
Thomas McCallum RIP
Monday 20th March: **No Mass**
Wednesday 22nd March: McCreesh &
Holohan Family: Living & Deceased
9am Adoration, 9.30am Mass
Friday 24th March: Mike & Kate Waldron Wedding Day
9am Adoration, 9.30am Mass & Station of the Cross
10.30am Funeral Service of Colin Vincent Kennedy
Saturday 25th March: 6.30pm Mass
Sunday 26th March: 10.30pm Mass

Clay Cross:

Sunday 19th March: 9.00am Mass: Peter Strelley RIP
Tuesday 21st March: Holy Souls
9.30am Adoration, 10am Mass
Thursday 23rd March: Holy Souls
9.30am Adoration, 10am Mass & Station of the Cross
Sunday 26th March: 9am Mass:

March 2023 Cleaners

Alfreton: R M Coyne
Clay Cross: **Mick & Marie Cassidy**

Sick & Housebound

Please pray for – Sara Lane, Shirley Oakes, Ian Martin, Val Kerlin, Betty Deane, Mary Pfeffer, Hazel Titon, Martin Mullally, Leah Philbin, Elsie Stewart, Brian Bradford, Peter Egan, Ted Bennett, Jim Johnson, Rob Lane, John Oliver, Karen Parker, Bridie Joyce and Diane Davey. ***Please remember all in our parish who need our prayers.***

Week's Readers: Alfreton

Saturday 6.30pm Cecilia Fletcher
Sunday 10.30am Catherine Galloway
Clay Cross: Sunday 9am Suzanne Smith

Next Week's Readers: Alfreton

Saturday 6.30pm Eugene Grant
Sunday 10.30am Tom McCullum
Clay Cross: Sunday 9am Bruce Johnson

Collection for 11th – 12th March 2023

Alfreton	£248.33
Clay Cross	£233.50
2nd collection -	£10.50
Stand Orders	£203.00
Total collection	£695.33
Hall Hire	£450.00
Candles	£34.49
Repository	£5.70
Standing orders	£203.00

Many thanks for your generosity

**On this Mothering Sunday I wish all mothers in our Parish a most Happy Mothers' day.
"Love always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails."**

Thanks to all those people who helped in any way to make **St Patrick's Day Celebration successful** especially Mary Bentley, Rob Farrell and Manu John.

Colin Vincent Kennedy RIP: We pray for the repose of the soul of Colin Vincent Kennedy who died recently. The funeral service will take place Friday 24th March at Christ the King Alfreton at 10.30 am followed by burial at Leabrooks Cemetery Alfreton. Our sincere condolences to his family and friends.

Doing something for Lent: During Lent some people give things up, some people do something extra and some do both. We do this because we want to be a better Christian. Do a small extra thing during Lent 2023. **Lenten Journey & Action:** As a parish Lenten action, we ask all to donate one item per week: Week 4 Personal hygiene: shampoo/ deodorant/soap, Week 5 tinned meat and fish, Week 6 Easter eggs. God is faithful. Faithful to forgive us when we repent over our sin. Faithful to cleanse us from our unrighteousness. Faithful to bring us into relationship with Him.

"God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking his mercy." Pope Francis

Five Parts to Lent: **Prayer** – communicating with God, **Repentance** – Confessing our sins and asking for forgiveness, **Fasting** – giving up something and replacing that thing with connecting to God through prayer or bible reading, **Giving to others** – helping others with time, talents, or money, **Steps toward Easter** – The story of Easter, starting at Palm Sunday

Ss Patrick & Brigid, Clay Cross: On Wednesday 7pm Novena and Station of the cross. All are welcome

Parish Lunch, Monday 3rd April 2023 at 1.00 pm. Please put your name on the list at the back of the Church by Sunday 26th March 2023 if you would like to attend the next Parish Lunch for Pensioners (60 and over). This will help us with catering. Look forward to seeing you there.

MISSIO BOXES are due to be emptied again during March 2023. Please bring in your boxes in to both churches. If you have mislaid your Missio box and would like a replacement box, please let us know and we can arrange to obtain a new one for you.

CTK Warm Space: Come along to our Warm Space in the Church Hall from 9.00am to 4.00pm every Tuesday. Turn off your heating at home and join us for some good company, board games, jigsaw, bottomless teas and coffees, cakes, biscuits and lunch. There is a TV in the hall and free WI-FI. Hope to see you there on the 22nd February 2023, thereafter until the end of April 2023. We need volunteers to help staff this so if you can spare a morning or afternoon to help make and serve refreshments and lunch as well as welcome visitors to the Warm Space, please sign up on the list at the back of the church, many thanks

The Christian Heritage Centre's 2023 Christian Leadership Formation Programme for Sixth Formers is open for applications until Friday 31st March. Further information about the programme can be found at www.christianheritagecentre.com/clf or by emailing admin@christianheritagecentre.com

Following the success of the Saint Bernadette Relic Tour last October, the Diocese has produced a Relic Tour Souvenir Book recalling the Visit, with many photographs of the two days, the texts of the homilies preached, and prayerful reflections. Priced at just £2.50, orders can be placed with your parish priest / parish office, for delivery before Easter. Orders received by 3rd April will also receive a Complimentary Lourdes Prayer card.

Come to Lourdes! Bishop Patrick invites everyone in our diocese to join him in coming to this beautiful Marian Shrine between Saturday 15th and Thursday 20th July. Travel will be by air from East Midlands Airport, and the five-night all-inclusive prices (full board) start at £709. See the poster at the back of church for more details, and to please use the booking form (available from the parish office), or visit <https://www.tangney-tours.com/pilgrimages/lourdes/diocese-of-nottingham>

Talking Philosophy and Theology: a Carmelite Perspective will be held virtually at 8.00pm until till 10.00pm, on Wednesday 19th April (Theology); Wednesday 3rd May (Philosophy) and Wednesday 17th May (Theology). Also 1.00pm until 3.00pm on Thursday 13th April (Philosophy) and Wednesday 3rd May (Philosophy). For more information refer to the three explanatory documents.

The SPUC Pro-Life Chain. Take part in a nationwide act of witness to the lives of the 10 million unborn babies killed by abortion since the implementation of the Abortion Act in 1968. The Nottingham chain will be on Trent Bridge, West Bridgford, from 10am until midday on Saturday 22nd April. Meet at the Brewhouse and Kitchen pub on the north side of the bridge, at 9.55am. For more information contact John on 07757 815 625 or email SPUCnottingham@gmail.com Be a voice for the voiceless.

Women's Retreat with Sr Ann Swailes OP: A retreat day for women in the Diocese of Nottingham. Join women from across the diocese on Saturday 25th March in prayer and reflection at the Rosmini House of Prayer. The retreat day will be led by Sr Ann Swailes OP, The cost of the day will be £20 which includes lunch and refreshments. The day will beginning at 9:30AM and will finish at 4:00PM.